

**APPROVED MINUTES
VIRGINIA BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY
TELEPHONE CONFERENCE MEETING**

The Virginia Board of Physical Therapy convened a telephone conference for a Summary Suspension on Monday, May 11, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT VIA TELEPHONE:

George Maihafer, Ph.D, P.T., President
Maureen E. Lyons, P.T., Vice-President
Peggy H. Belmont, P.T.
Damien Howell, P.T.
Robert Izzo, P.T.
Lorraine C. Quinn, P.T.A.
J.R. Locke

DHP STAFF PRESENT:

Lisa R. Hahn, Executive Director
Tammy Jones, Adjudication Specialist
Missy Currier, Administrative Assistant

MEMBERS FROM THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE PRESENT:

Clay Garrett, Assistant Attorney General
Amy Marschean, Senior Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel

MATTER SCHEDULED

Respondent: Walter M. Ward, Physical Therapist
License No: 2305006157
Case Number: 124833

INTRODUCTION

Ms. Hahn opened the telephone conference by thanking everyone for their time and introducing everyone present on the line.

CALLED TO ORDER

Dr. Maihafer called the tele-conference to order at 9:04 a.m.

ROLL CALL

A roll call was taken with seven (7) members of the Board participating, a quorum was established. All those participating showed that a good faith effort to convene a regular meeting was not possible due to time constraints.

CONFERENCE

Mr. Garrett presented evidence that the continued practice of physical therapy by Mr. Walter Ward, may present a substantial danger to the health and safety of the public.

Mr. Locke moved to summarily suspend the license of Walter Ward and to offer a consent order for indefinite suspension of his license in lieu of a formal hearing. Mr. Howell seconded the motion.

The board members voting “yes” were: Ms. Lyons, Mr. Howell, Mr. Locke, Mr. Izzo, Ms. Quinn, Dr. Maihafer, and Ms. Belmont.

The vote passed unanimously and there were no negative votes.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

George Maihafer, PhD, PT, Chair

Lisa R. Hahn, Executive Director

Date

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